

Sec. 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on April 25, 1975, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 22, 1975, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved May 30, 1975.

Effective Sept. 1, 1975, 90 days after date of adjournment.

ATHLETIC TRAINERS BOARD—MEMBERSHIP— CHANGE OF NAME

CHAPTER 328

H. B. No. 2158

An Act relating to the membership and change of name of the Texas Board of Athletic Trainers and to the merger of the Texas Board of Athletic Trainers into the State Department of Health; amending Subdivision (2) of Section 1, Section 2, and Subsections (b) and (c) of Section 3, adding Section 2A, Chapter 498, Acts of the 62nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1971 (Article 4512d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring in emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Subdivision (2), Section 1, Chapter 498, Acts of the 62nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1971 (Article 4512d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended ⁶⁰ to read as follows:

“(2) ‘Board’ means the Advisory Board of Athletic Trainers.”

Sec. 2. Section 2, Chapter 498, Acts of the 62nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1971 (Article 4512d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended ⁶¹ to read as follows:

Advisory Board of Athletic Trainers

“Sec. 2. (a) The Advisory Board of Athletic Trainers, composed of six members, is created. The board is created as a part of the State Department of Health and shall perform its duties as a board within the State Department of Health. To qualify as a member, a person must be a citizen of the United States and a resident of Texas for five years immediately preceding appointment. Members must be licensed athletic trainers.

“(b) The members of the board shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Except for the initial appointees, members hold office for terms of six years. The terms expire on January 31 of odd-numbered years.

“(c) Each appointee to the board shall qualify by taking the constitutional oath of office within 15 days from the date of his appoint-

60. Vernon's Ann Civ St art 4512d, § 1. 61. Vernon's Ann Civ St art 4512d, § 2 subd (2)

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ment. On presentation of the oath, the secretary of state shall issue commissions to appointees as evidence of their authority to act as members of the board.

"(d) In the event of death, resignation, or removal of any member, the vacancy of the unexpired term shall be filled by the governor in the same manner as other appointments."

Sec. 3. Chapter 498, Acts of the 62nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1971, as amended (Article 4512d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding ⁶² Section 2A to read as follows:

Appropriations to Department of Health

"Sec. 2A. The State Department of Health may expend funds appropriated to it for the purpose of implementing the provisions of this Act."

Sec. 4. Subsections (b) and (c), Section 3, Chapter 498, Acts of the 62nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1971 (Article 4512d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), are amended ⁶³ to read as follows:

"(b) The board shall meet at least twice a year. Additional meetings may be held on the call of the chairman or at the written request of any three members of the board.

"(c) The quorum required for any meeting of the board is four members. No action by the board or its members has any effect unless a quorum of the board is present."

Sec. 5.⁶⁴ Members serving on the Texas Board of Athletic Trainers on the effective date of this Act shall serve on the Advisory Board of Athletic Trainers for the terms for which they were appointed. The governor shall appoint three additional members to the Advisory Board of Athletic Trainers. Of the three additional members the governor shall designate one for a term expiring in 1981, one for a term expiring in 1979, and one for a term expiring in 1977.

Sec. 6.⁶⁴ This Act takes effect September 1, 1975, on which date all property, files, and records in the custody of the Texas Board of Athletic Trainers are transferred to the State Department of Health to be used by the Advisory Board of Athletic Trainers in the performance of its duties.

Sec. 7. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after September 1, 1975, and it is so enacted

Passed by the House on May 12, 1975: Yeas 131, Nays 0, and 5 present not voting, passed by the Senate on May 21, 1975. Yeas 29, Nays 1.

Approved May 30, 1975.

Effective Sept. 1, 1975.

62. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 4512d, § 2A 64. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 4512d note

63. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 4512d, § 3.
subsecs. (b), (c).